Financial year	Items of expenditure from the Regimental Fund	
1987-88	(i) Greeting Cards	85-00
	(ii) Cadet Journal	198.00
	(iii) News papers	71-90
	(iv) Stationery	19-00
	(v) Conveyance for cadets	27-00
	(vi) Refreshments for cadets and important visitors	981-00
	(vii) Prizes for cadets	26-00
	TOTAL :	1407-90

Meeting of Standing Committee of Saarc at Kathmando

4417. SHRI MAHENDRA PRASAD: Will the Minister of External Affairs be pleased to state :

(a) whether India at the tenth Standing Committee meeting of the SAARC members held in Kathmandu on the 10th August, 1988 had called upon the SAARC members to tackle some core economic sectors within **SAARC** review ;

(b) if so, what was the precise proposal mooted by Indian representative therein; and

(c) what was the response of the SAARC Committee thereto ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI K. NATWAR SINGH): (a) and (b) While no specific proposal was put forward, the Foreign Secretary, in his general statement at the Tenth Session of the Standing Committee, emphasised that core economic sectors such as trade, industry, money and finance must form the basic foundation of regional cooperation.

(c) The Standing Committee has not yet decided to include core economic sectors in the areas of cooperation under SAARC.

Pakistan proposal for N-Free South-Asia Zone at Kathmandu SAARC Meeting

4418. SHRI MAHENDRA PRASAD: Will the Minister of External Affairs be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is **a** fact that Pakistan, at the recent SAARC meeting in Kathmandu, has pleaded for a N-Free South-Asia zone;

(b) if so, what was the precise-proposal made out by Pakistan; and

(c) what was the India's reaction thereto in the conference and outside the conference ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI K. NATWAR SINGH) : (a) and (b) In his general statement at the Fifth Session of the SAARC Council of Ministers in Kathmandu or August 11-12—1988 the Pakisten Foreign Minister made a suggestion for a regional undertaking never to develop, acquire **or** deploy nuclear weapons in South Asia.